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April 10, 2020

My office has set up a COVID-19 specific webpage on <a href="www.danhuberty.com">www.danhuberty.com</a> for updates and state agency specific information. As this situation continues to develop, we will do our best to get all relevant information out through newsletters, as well as through posts on my Facebook page.

Due to the COVID-19 virus, both the Capitol and the District offices will remain closed. However, my staff will be teleworking and will be available via email. Please continue to follow safe social distancing and hygiene practices during this time, and know that we are available if needed. Be aware that all agencies are prioritizing COVID-19 virus related constituent casework before other matters.

The Texas House of Representatives is consolidating COVID-19 related information. To access the COVID-19 information, visit <a href="https://house.texas.gov/coronavirus">house.texas.gov/coronavirus</a>.

Sincerely,





## Capitol & District Office Closure Notice

Both the Capitol office and District office will remain closed in line with Governor Abbot's executive orders. Our offices will remain functioning, with staff working remotely. Please utilize email communication with our office during this time, via the email contact information at the bottom of this newsletter.

Additionally we have set up an additional phone line that our staff will be able to monitor remotely. Our new phone number for the duration of the COVID-19 situation will be (281) 858-3354.

## **Health Resources**

CDC: Slow the Spread

THE PRESIDENT'S CORONAVIRUS GUIDELINES FOR AMERICA

# 30 DAYS TO SLOW THE SPREAD

Listen to and follow the directions of your STATE AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES.

IF YOU FEEL SICK, stay home. Do not go to work. Contact your medical provider.

IF YOUR CHILDREN ARE SICK, keep them at home. Do not send them to school, Contact your medical provider.

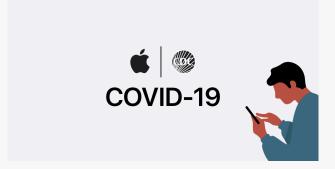
**IF SOMEONE IN YOUR HOUSEHOLD HAS TESTED POSITIVE** for the coronavirus, keep the entire household at home. Do not go to work. Do not go to school. Contact your medical provider.

IF YOU ARE AN OLDER PERSON, stay home and away from other people.

**IF YOU ARE A PERSON WITH A SERIOUS UNDERLYING HEALTH CONDITION** that can put you at increased risk (for example, a condition that impairs your lung or heart function or weakens your immune system), stay home and away from other people.



# **COVID-19 Evaluation App**



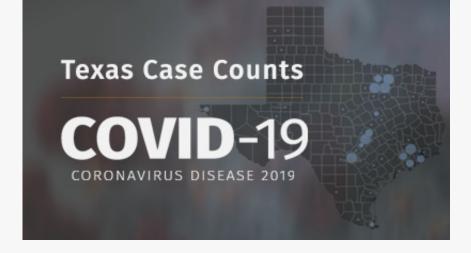
#### COVID-19

If you think you or a family member have been exposed to COVID-19, evaluate symptoms with our in-home screening tool and understand your next steps.

#### Read more

www.apple.com

DSHS: COVID-19 Case Dashboard



Click the image above to be directed to the DSHS COVID-19 Dashboard

# Harris County Public Health Dashboard



Click the image above to be directed to the Harris County Public Health COVID-19 Dashboard

# **Updates from Austin**

# Texas State Parks Temporarily Close to the Public



#### **Texas State Parks Temporarily Close to the Public**

AUSTIN-At the direction of Gov. Greg Abbott, Texas State Parks will be closed to the public effective at the close of business Tuesday, April 7 in order to maintain the safest environment for visitors, volunteers and staff.

Read more

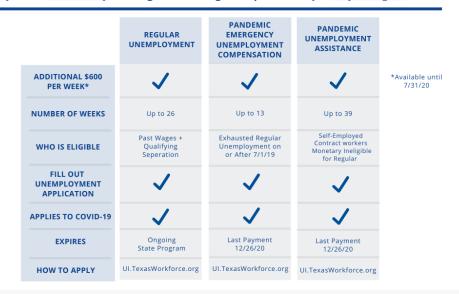
tpwd.texas.gov

Texas Workforce Commission: CARES Act Eligibility

# Unemployment and CARES ACT



If you are not currently working, teleworking or on paid leave, you may be eligible for....



Visit www.twc.texas.gov for more information

ACT Offering Digital Learning Resources to Assist Those Impacted by COVID-19.



#### **ACT COVID-19 Updates**

ACT has rescheduled its April national and international tests in response to concerns about the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19). All students registered for April test dates will receive an email from ACT informing them of the postponement...

#### Read more

www.act.org

Remote Learning Resources for Texas Parents





#### Keep Kids Curious

Tailoring lesson plans to a student's specific interests keeps them curious, engaged, and eager to learn! Whether supporting STEM by baking or applying lessons to sports, find the right interest-based opportunity for your student



#### take a virtual field trip

Visit the Smithsonian, explore NASA's research center, take a walk on Mars, or tour the Great Wall -- all in the comfort of your own home! Virtual field trip opportunities will keep things exciting and entertaining for your student. Need ideas? Click here!



#### learn as a family

Enjoy some time as a family and engage your students with a number of family-led educational experiences for ages 3 to 12. The free activities from Microsoft encourages families to learn, do, and share together!



#### set the environment

Having a designated study space that is quiet and comfortable helps children to focus and retain information from their lessons. For tips and tricks on creating the perfect learning environment for your child, click here.



Educating your child from home can be stressful and overwhelming. Need help? Take advantage of online office hours that give parents the opportunity to ask questions & seek support from teachers, tutors, and administrators in real



#### support early learning

Supporting instructional continuity is critical for any student's future success, but especially those in early childhood. These at-home r early learners will help keep your child on track and on time once returning to the classroom.



Incorporating videos, interactive games, and online learning challenges keeps at-home learning exciting and engaging! Check out the many free resources at Scholastic, LearnZillion, and TexasHomeLearn

# **Updates From the District**

Harris County COVID-19 Forgivable Loan Program



# HGALDC | HARRIS COUNTY COVID-19 FORGIVABLE LOAN PROGRAM

Harris County has partnered with the Houston-Galveston Area Council to develop and administer an economic development loan program in response to the COVID-19 pandemic. The program aims to help businesses impacted by the pandemic by offering zero...

Read more

www.hgaldc.com

## All Houston Parks Closed for Easter Weekend



# HOUSTON PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT



Effective, Thursday, April 9, 2020 at Dusk

All City Parks and Trails to Close for Easter Holiday Weekend, beginning on Friday, April 10, 2020 Mayor Sylvester Turner has announced the closure of all Houston Parks and Recreation Department parks and trails. The closures begin on Thursday, April 9th at sundown.

The decision was made in the interest of public safety to help slow the spread of COVID-19. Urban Park Rangers and Houston Police will patrol City parks all weekend to monitor for compliance

#### Please note:

The Curbside Meals Program For Youth (ages 1 to 18) will be served on Friday, April 10 at 49 HPARD Community Centers from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

To ensure social distancing is maintained meals will be placed in the trunk of the recipient's car.

Guidelines for meal distribution

- Community Center Staff will distribute each participant the lunch and snack at one time.
- Each child will receive one lunch and one snack.
- Only children who come to the site for pick-up can receive the lunch and snack.
- A parent can't take food for a child that is not present at the time of pick-up.
- Fifty (50) meals will be available at each site. A potential for an increase to a maximum of 200 per site based on participation.

For City of Houston COVID-19 information & updates visit https://houstonemergency.org/covid19.

# Closure of IH-59 Northbound/Southbound Lanes & Frontage Roads



The Grand Parkway Infrastructure team is excited to announce that crews are scheduled to engage in a critical milestone; the construction of the new SH-99 bridges that will travel over IH-59. This work will be performed in several stages, as crews will need to erect bridge beams, set deck panels, pour the concrete roadway, and other miscellaneous activities.

The construction of the bridges is scheduled to be completed in 3-4 months. Periodically, the team will be closing frontage roads, and all northbound or southbound main lanes on IH-59 to traffic during the activities described above. It is important to note that all northbound and southbound main lanes **will never** be closed to traffic simultaneously. Motorists will be detoured to the frontage roads during main lane closures.

The first set of main lane closures will be implemented the weekend of April 17. Details Below.

- All southbound travel lanes on IH-59 will be closed south of the Porter/Conroe Exit to motorists during the overnight hours 8PM-5AM on Friday, April 17.
- All northbound travel lanes on IH-59 will be closed north of the Community Drive Exit to motorists during the overnight hours 8PM-5AM on Saturday, April 18.
- Future closures will be announced through media advisories, Grand Parkway Infrastructure's official project website (<a href="www.sh99grandpkwy.com">www.sh99grandpkwy.com</a>), and Facebook/Twitter accounts (@SH99GrandPkwy).

# A video message from Superintendent Dr. Elizabeth Fagen



# Harris County COVID-19 Testing Information





Click the "Coronavirus Testing" button on:

www.ReadyHarris.org

If you can't access the internet, call:

832-927-7575

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